

## **Amendment**

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To: Subst. House Bill No. **6581** File No. 849 Cal. No. 641

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION REGARDING LENGTHY SENTENCES FOR CRIMES COMMITTED BY A CHILD OR YOUTH AND THE SENTENCING OF A CHILD OR YOUTH CONVICTED OF CERTAIN FELONY OFFENSES."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2013) (a) Notwithstanding any
- 4 provision of the general statutes, any person who commits murder
- 5 with special circumstances on or after July 1, 2013, in violation of
- 6 section 53a-54b of the general statutes, shall be sentenced to a term of
- 7 life imprisonment without the possibility of release unless a sentence
- 8 of death is imposed in the manner prescribed in section 53a-46a of the
- 9 general statutes, as amended by this act.
- 10 (b) The provisions of the general statutes applicable to a person who

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11 commits a capital felony prior to April 25, 2012, including, but not 12 limited to, the provisions of the general statutes set forth in the 13 revision of 1958, revised to 2011, shall apply in like manner to a person 14 who commits murder with special circumstances on or after July 1, 15 2013, in violation of section 53a-54b of the general statutes, if a 16 sentence of death is imposed in the manner prescribed in section 53a-17 46a of the general statutes, as amended by this act, as provided in 18 subsection (a) of this section.

(c) Wherever in the general statutes the term "capital felony" is used or referred to, such term shall be deemed to include murder with special circumstances committed on or after July 1, 2013, in violation of section 53a-54b of the general statutes, where a sentence of death is imposed in the manner prescribed in section 53a-46a of the general statutes, as amended by this act, as provided in subsection (a) of this section."

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